GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1265
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CONSTRUCTION OF FLATS BY DDA IN GREEN BELT AREA
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government have been drawn to the news-item appearing in the Hindustan Times dated June 24, 2003, regarding construction of flats by Delhi Development Authority in a green belt area of Vasant Kunj;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein and reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the DDA has taken prior approval from the Ministries of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation and Environment and Forest for converting Green Belt into a residential area;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKR)

(a)to(e): DDA has reported that the area in question is a `Rural Use Zone` area in the Master Plan of Delhi, 2001.It has referred the matter to the Government for appropriate action for change of land use from `rural use zone` to `residential, public and semi public, and recreational` after following due procedure of inviting and considering public objections and suggestions. No permission from the Ministry of Environment and Forest is required for this purpose.